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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Follow and report activities of subject.

ADMINISTRATIVE

As Bureau is aware, subject is currently under investigation in case captioned "UNSUBS, Alleged Smuggling of Contraband Into FCI, Terre Haute, Indiana. IFPI. OO:CHICAGO." Chicago file 90-18.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] was interviewed regarding ITSMV and BH 26-26634.  
At the time, he indicated he had worked in the Chicago area  
as a [redacted] was re-interviewed concerning his  
employment as [redacted] in the area and furnished the  
following information:

From [redacted]  
[redacted] for the following individuals at  
the following named establishments.

[redacted] the Silver Spur Lounge, exact  
address not known but is located on South Cicero Avenue,  
located in the Windy City Bowling Building; owner TONY  
BATTAGGLIA (phonetic). He did not know whose name the license  
for this night club was actually in, but he knew BATTAGGLIA  
owned it. He [redacted]

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Then [redacted] at the Annetta Lounge, located at Laramie and 24th, Chicago; owner. TONY BATTAGGLIA (phonetic). Again, he [redacted]

[redacted] While [redacted] the Annetta Lounge, he was told by TONY BATTAGGLIA [redacted]

[redacted] He added that he decided it would be best for him to just [redacted]

[redacted] further stated that every night club [redacted] was controlled by the "Syndicate" and that gambling does occur in these bars in the back room where they store the "booze". In addition, he noted the Annetta Lounge has slot machines, poker tables and dice games taking place. The Silver Spur Night Club has slot machines and poker tables in the back room. He added that both of these are owned by TONY BATTAGGLIA (phonetic). He noted further that Pete & Ester Lounge, located on Roosevelt Road, also had gambling going on in the back room.

At this point in the interview, [redacted] furnished the following information concerning different individuals who had connections with the different night clubs [redacted]

TONY BATTAGGLIA (phonetic) owns at least half of the night clubs and bars in Cicero. He owns approximately 10 located on Rush Street, and several located in Old Town. BATTAGGLIA, according to [redacted] was basically in complete control of all of the activity taking place in Cicero.

[redacted] then mentioned the name [redacted] who [redacted] advised as a [redacted] (phonetic).

[redacted] stated that CHUCK ENGLISH supplies the pool tables and juke boxes for use in Chicago, and that the Town Music Corporation controlled the juke box activity in Cicero, and this corporation was owned by VINCENT "THE SAINT" MIRRO (phonetic), who was, he believed, in the Sandstone Penitentiary, Minnesota.

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He then added that [redacted] (LAW) is [redacted]

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The next topic [redacted] expounded on concerned the Chicago Police Department. He noted that the Austin District, as well as the Filmore District could not be trusted as more than [redacted]

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During the course of the interview, [redacted] stated he would be willing to go back to Chicago and work for the Syndicate as he felt he could go back and [redacted]

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Source

Date Contacted

Contacting Agent

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SA [redacted]

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SA [redacted]

CG T-3 is

8/24/67

SA [redacted]

CG T-4 is

7/26/67

SA JOHN K. CHADWICK

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Source

Date Contacted

Contacting Agent

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Field Office File #: 92-2249

Bureau File #:

Title: TONY BATTAGLIA

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

Subject born 12/13/16, Chicago, Illinois. Subject [REDACTED] and data regarding family set forth. Subject is United States citizen, registered for SSS on 10/16/40. No military record located. Arrest record set forth revealing conviction for "D.M.V.W.O.C." on 1/17/33 for which he received 6 months sentence to House of Correction at Chicago. Subject presently resides 1502 Deeppath Lane, La Grange Park, Illinois. Subject controls illegal pinball operations in Cicero, Illinois, and sources advise he owns the Silver Spur, Cypress and Annetta Lounges in Cicero, operated by "front men". Subject is brother of well known Chicago area hoodlums, SAM [REDACTED] and has been identified as LCN member. Subject has FBI # 876 914 A.

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I. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

A. Birth Data

On November 21, 1966, IC [redacted], caused a review of the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago. Certificate # 790 revealed TONY BATTAGLIA was born December 16, 1913 at Chicago. Father was SAM, age 34, born in Italy; mother JOSIE SHULITTO, age 20, born in Italy; residence 724 Gilpin Place. The record indicated this was the 6th child of this mother.

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B. Marital Status

As set forth in following sections of this report  
subject is [redacted] name is [redacted]

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C. Education

No information has been developed regarding subject's education.

D. Citizenship

Subject is a citizen, having been born in the United States.

E. Children

On April 14, 1967, IC [redacted] located Certificate of Birth # [redacted] for [redacted] born [redacted] was listed as ANTHONY BATTAGLIA,

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569 Gilpin Place, age 19, born Chicago, laborer, [redacted]

This was the [redacted]

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On January 2, 1967, CG T-2 advised that subject listed [redacted] on his 1962 Federal Tax Return.

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At 12:05 a.m. today, [redacted] telephonically advised that he had information that ANTHONY BATTAGLIA, JR., age 31, 1942 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, had been taken to Loretta Hospital at 4:00 p.m. today and subsequently transferred to Illinois Eye and Infirmary where he died from strangulation. Upon being admitted to Loretta, BATTAGLIA gave his name as WILBUR JENKINS.

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The following obituary appeared in the Chicago American on September 11, 1968:

"BATTAGLIA

"ANTHONY S. BATTAGLIA, JR., beloved husband of JOAN, nee PALIUG; loving father of ANTHONY and DAVID; dear son of ANNA and ANTHONY F. BATTAGLIA, SR.; fond brother of MARLENE (ROBERT) DAMRON, MADELINE (KENNETH) CAITHAMER, KAREN (ALVIN) LESTER, and CATHY (JOSEPH) MARREN. Funeral Friday, 9 a.m., from The Montclair Funeral Home, 6901 W. Belmont Avenue, to St. Louise DeMarillac church. Please omit flowers. Interment Resurrection cemetery. NA 2-9300."

CG T-7 advised as follows during September, 1968:

On September 10, 1968, source advised that ANTHONY BATTAGLIA, aka SONNY BATTAGLIA, had died yesterday from unknown causes. Source talked with [redacted] (LNU), [redacted] at the Cypress Lounge, who told source that SONNY [redacted]

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SONNY drank a lot, but was not on narcotics. He had [REDACTED]

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Source advised he was not a bad guy, was very likeable, and his sole source of income was the pinball - bowling machine operations, headquartered at the Cypress Lounge, owned by his father TONY BATTAGLIA.

Source advised TONY BATTAGLIA owns the Cypress Lounge and the Silver Spur on 1 Cicero Avenue, Cicero, and the police allow the taverns to remain open all night long. They are both frequented by "hillbillies" and the streets are often the scene of violent fights, beatings and shouted obscenities when the joints are "aired out" at about 5:30 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.

[REDACTED] the Silver Spur, [REDACTED] BATTAGLIA.

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The Chicago Sun Times contained the following article on November 27, 1968:

**"BATTAGLIA Death Ruled 'Natural'"**

"A coroner's jury ruled Tuesday that ANTHONY (SONNY) BATTAGLIA, 31, nephew of crime syndicate chief SAM (TEETZ) BATTAGLIA, died Sept. 9 of natural causes.

"BATTAGLIA, of 1942 S. Cicero, died in Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary after being admitted with a severe mouth infection.

"According to a pathologist's report, BATTAGLIA, a mechanic, suffocated from a spreading tooth abscess that caused his neck and chest to swell."

**F. Other Relatives**

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Subject is the brother of well known Chicago area hoodlum [ ] SAM [ ] BATTAGLIA.

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G. Residence

On March 9, 1967, Officer [ ] Westchester Police Department, advised records there reveal TONY F. BATTAGLIA was fined \$25 and record destroyed on February 24, 1966. Records also reveal that [ ] was arrested [ ]

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She is described as follows:

Name  
Date of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Driver's License #

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She was driving a Plymouth, 1966 Illinois [ ]

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On the same date, Sergeant [ ] La Grange Park Police Department, advised that JOHN SORTINO, brother of FRANK FERRARO, aka FRANK SORTINO, used to live there at 1512 Deerpath, which is now lived in by TONY BATTAGLIA. The home is worth about \$5,000 and records reveal ANTHONY BATTAGLIA, at that address, has a 1967 Chrysler, La Grange sticker # 5052.

There is also a record for [ ] home phone [ ]

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On the same date a white two door Plymouth Fury, 1967 Illinois license [ ] was observed at 1:00 p.m., parked in the driveway at 1502 Deerpath.

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[ ] advised [ ] who runs [ ] resides at [ ] and a [ ] who is the [ ] lives at [ ]

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#### H. Military Service

By communication dated December 27, 1966, the St. Louis Office furnished the following data:

Personnel, Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, advised that they were unable to locate or identify a service record for TONY BATTAGLIA, serial number unknown, under his known name or aliases with the informatio provided.

#### I. Selective Service Records

[redacted] Selective Service Headquarters, Springfield, Illinois, advised on March 14, 1967, that ANTHONY FRANK BATTAGLIA, 1323 West Cullerton Street, Chicago Illinois, registered with Local Board 110, 1802 South Edgeland Avenue, on October 16, 1940. He also advised that the person who would always know his address was given as [redacted]

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[redacted] and his employer was given as Chicks Poultry Corporation, 4500 West Fillmore Street, Chicago, Illinois, and he is described as follows:

Date of Birth	12/16/13
Place of Birth	Chicago, Illinois
Race	White
Height	5'5"
Weight	160 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Dark

[redacted] Selective Service Headquarters, Springfield, Illinois, advised on March 14,

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1967, that ANTHONY SALVATORE BATTAGLIA registered April 26, 1965 with Local Board 111, Chicago, Illinois, and his date of birth is April 20, 1937, and his Selective Service Number is 11-111-37-126.

## II. CRIMINAL RECORD

### A. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Identification Record

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name &amp; Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
PD Chgo Ill	Tony Battaglia # C-43842	11/9/32	larc auto	CC \$5000 plea DMVWOC 6 mos H of C & fined \$200
PD Chgo Ill	Tony Battaglia # D-85830	10/6/51	GP	

### B. Records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department

On November 15, 1966, a review of the records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, revealed that TONY BATTAGLIA, 1321 Cullerton, Chicago, Illinois, was arrested on October 15, 1951, at 4700 Cermak Road, [redacted] charge "Invest".

He was described as a white male, born December 16, 1913 at Chicago, 5'6", 200 pounds, Social Security # 322-12-9948.

TONY BATTAGLIA, 4807 West 23rd Street, Cicero, was arrested October 4, 1954, as a burglary suspect at Grand and Damen Avenues. Date of birth was listed as December 16, 1913, Chicago, height 5'7", weight 200 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair.

The case was "Ex Parte" on October 5, 1954 and BATTAGLIA fined \$5.00 and \$5.00 costs.

N.G. Tony Battaglia - Mar. 5, 1931, fined \$100 V.S. 223, Chap. 121, Judge Allegretti. Offs. Moylan & Marsh, 28th Dist.

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As Tony Battaglia - Oct. 5, 1931, fined \$10 & Costs. Dis.  
Cond. Judge Brooks. Off. McKenna,  
1st. Dist.

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C-43842 Tony Battaglia - Jan. 17, 1933, 6 mos. H of C &  
\$200. Larceny of Auto. plea  
D.M.V.W.O.C. Judge Feinberg.  
Off. Kriesten, C.O.

As Tony Battaglia - Apr. 28, 1936, G.P. arr. by Off.  
[redacted], 22nd Dist.

D-25061 Anthony Battaglia - July 8, 1943, G.P. arr. by Offs.  
[redacted] D.B.

Tony Battaglia - 10/4/54, Inv. [redacted] DB

C. Records of the Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department

On November 15, 1966, IC [redacted] caused a  
review of the records of the Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police  
Department. The only reference regarding TONY BATTAGLIA was  
to the effect that he attended the wake and funeral of  
JOSEPH MENDINO between March 17 - 20, 1961.

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III. CREDIT RECORD

On November 15, 1966, IC [redacted],  
caused a review of the records of Dun & Bradstreet, Incorporated,  
however, no record could be located for subject.

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On November 18, 1969, IC [redacted] caused a  
review of the records of the Cook County Credit Bureau,  
however, no record for subject could be located.

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On November 4, 1967, IC [redacted] reviewed records  
of the Chicago Credit Bureau with negative results.

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